

JUL 31 1967

STATINTL

Khrushchev Report Correct, Ike Says

Associated Press

Former President Eisenhower recalled yesterday that Nikita Khrushchev once volunteered to him the information that the Soviet Union intended to phase out her navy's surface fleet.

"We don't believe that surface ships are going to be any good any more," Gen. Eisenhower quoted Khrushchev as saying. "We're going in for submarines and their supporting destroyers."

CIA intelligence, the General said, "found out later he was right."

Gen. Eisenhower made his remarks on the ABC television program "Issues and Answers" (WMAL).